

1 Amendment "A"

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3 Amendments to the specification

4 Please amend the specification being filed herewith as follows:

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6 In the specification at page 1, line 2, please insert the following paragraph  
7 following the title "IMAGING APPARATUS AND METHODS", and before the section  
8 titled, "FIELD OF THE INVENTION":  
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10 --CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

11 This application is a continuation application under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of co-  
12 pending U.S. Patent Application Serial. No. 10/147,251, filed May 15, 2002, which is  
13 hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.- -  
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